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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
John Kenton White

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Art Unit: 2828

For: ENHANCED LINK OPERATION OF  
DIRECTLY MODULATED LASERS USING  
GAIN-COUPLED GRATINGS

Examiner: D. T. Nguyen

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2004 (Paper No. 20040313), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.